

On page 1, lines 3-9, please delete the text of the Cross-Reference to Related Applications section and replace it with the following:

The present application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/741,095, filed October 30, 1996, which is incorporated herein by reference; said U.S. Application No. 08/741,095 is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 08/464,595, U.S. Application No. 08/462,962, and U.S. Application No. 08/462,315, each of which was filed June 5, 1995 and are incorporated herein by reference; said U.S. Application Nos. 08/464,595, 08/462,962 and 08/462,315 are each continuations-in-part of PCT/US95/05058, filed April 27, 1995, which is incorporated herein by reference.

On page 1, line 10, immediately before "Field of the Invention" please insert as a section heading *--Background of the Invention--*.

On page 4, line 6, please delete "Pfefferk" and insert therefor --Pfeffer, K--.

On page 4, line 26, please delete "in bacterial hosts".

On page 9, line 4, please delete "12301 Park Lawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland 20852" and insert therefor --10801 University Blvd., Manassas, VA 20110-2209, USA--.

On page 10, line 4, please delete "The" and insert therefor --All of the--.

On page 17, line 16, after second occurrence of "acids", please insert --.--.

On page 21, line 18, please delete "(150 mM NaCl, 15 mM trisodium citrate)" and insert --(750 mM NaCl, 75 mM trisodium citrate)--.

On page 21, line 19, please delete "20 g/ml" and insert therefor --20 µg/ml--.

On page 42, line 15, please delete "Rockville, Maryland" and insert therefor --Manassas, VA--.

On page 75, line 13, please delete "(Rockville, MD)" and insert therefor --(Manassas, VA)--.

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After Example 6, on page 84, after line 3, please insert the following example:

--Example 7

Expression Pattern of TNF Receptor Expression in Human Tissue

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Northern blot analysis is carried out to examine the levels of expression of TNF receptor in human tissues. Total cellular RNA samples are isolated with RNazol™ B system (Biotech Laboratories, Inc., Houston, Tex.). About 10 µg of total RNA isolated from each human tissue specified is separated on 1% agarose gel and blotted onto a nylon filter (Sambrook, Fritsch, and Maniatis, Molecular Cloning, Cold Spring Harbor Press, (1989)). The labeling reaction is done according to the Stratagene Prime-It kit with 50 ng DNA fragment. The labeled DNA is purified with a Select-G-50 column (5 Prime - 3 Prime, Inc. Boulder, CO). The filter is then hybridized with radioactive labeled full length TNF receptor gene at 1,000,000 cpm/ml in 0.5 M NaPO₄, pH 7.4 and 7% SDS overnight at 65°C. After washing twice at room temperature and twice at 60°C with 0.5 X SSC, 0.1% SDS, the filter is then exposed at -70°C overnight with an intensifying screen.

~~Please remove pages 85-104 and insert therefor pages 85-106 included herewith, which contain the amended Sequence Listing for the subject invention. Please renumber the pages which follow accordingly.~~

In the Claims:

~~Please cancel claim 21 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.~~